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Shuangshui	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.
Fanning	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.
Taipei Market	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.
Taipei	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.	dep.
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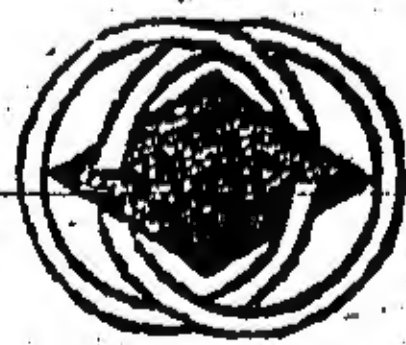
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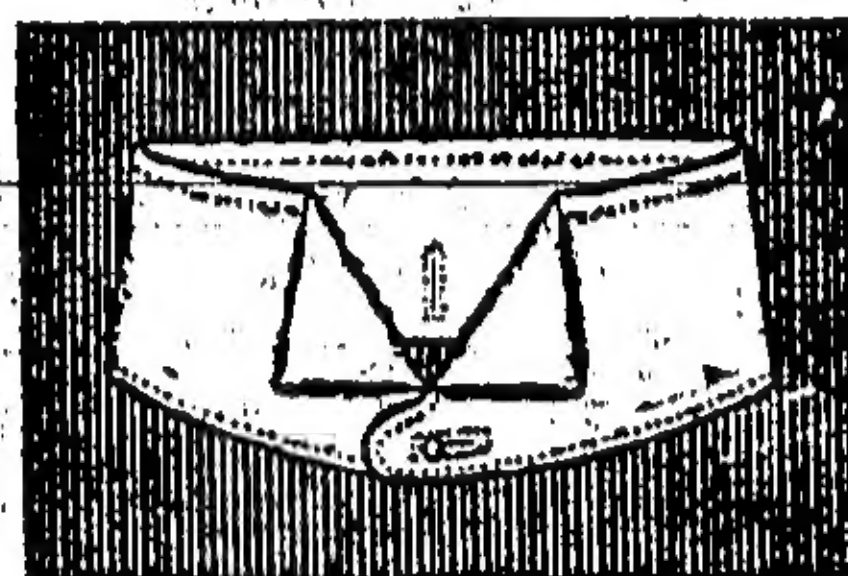
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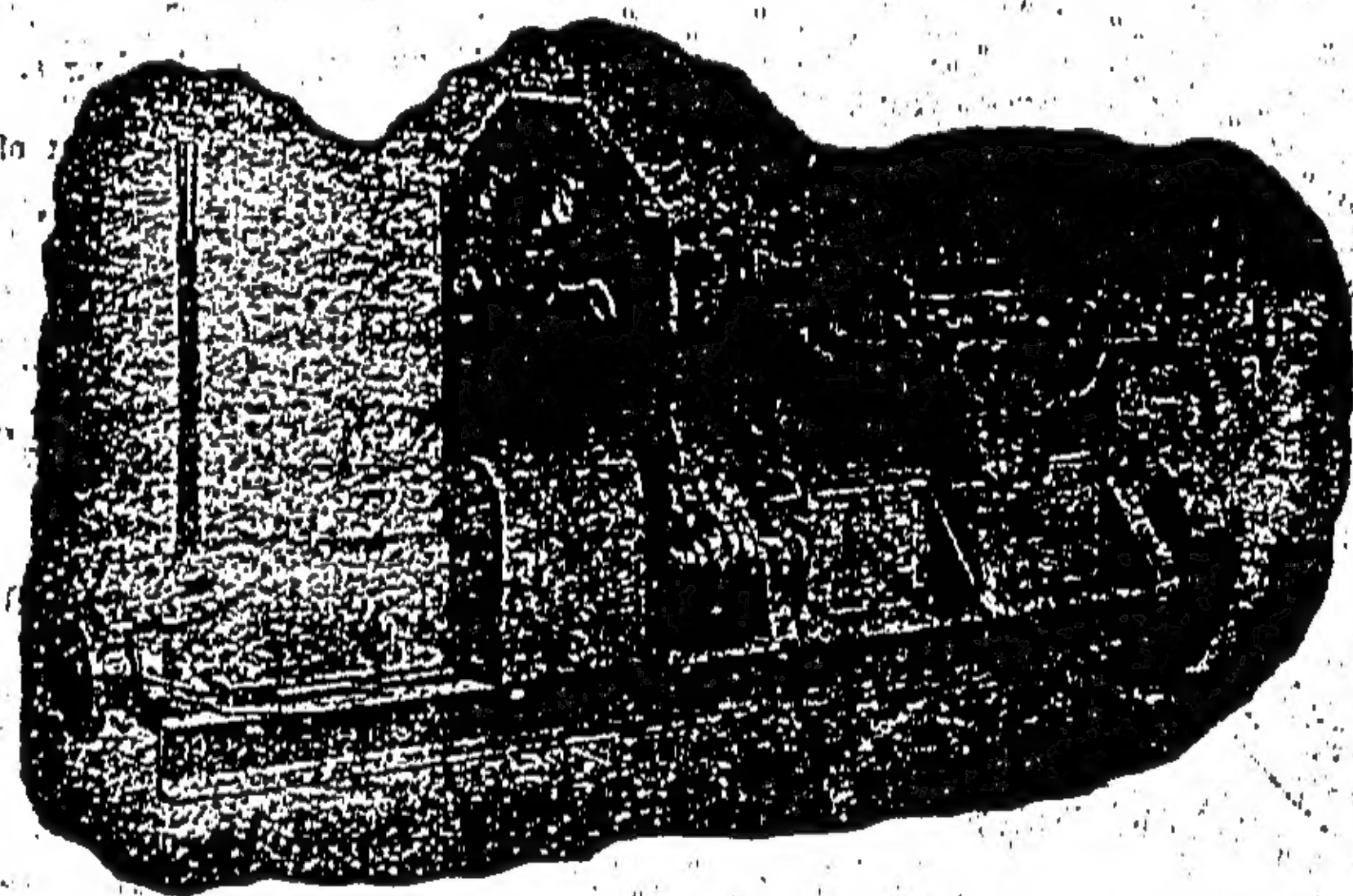
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GOLF NOTES.

Most of us must have read the notice on page 4 of *The Daily Press* convening an extraordinary general meeting of the Golf Club, but it is doubtful whether many of us have taken the trouble to ascertain what it all means.

The proposed amendments to the Articles of Association should attract the attention of every member of the Club, and for this reason I will deal with the subject more fully than the advertisement does, in the hope that members who attend the meeting on Wednesday next will have carefully considered the various points, and not take it for granted that the meeting is being held with the idea of raising the subscription. This was the impression gained by one member, who read the first paragraph of the proposed amendments (in which it is proposed to delete the word "five" in Articles 11 and 13, and substitute the word "eight") and then flung down the paper demanding to know what right the Committee had to raise his subscription from \$5 to \$8! As he is not a restricted member it would appear that his subscription might easily have been raised without a word being said, if he is still under the impression that he only pays \$5 per month.

Now let us take the various Articles as they appear. Nos. 11 and 13 come under the heading of "membership," and they deal with the ballot and the power to "erase a member's name" if, after election, the Committee are of the opinion that such member was "elected under a misrepresentation of any kind." As Article 11 now stands, five members constitute a ballot, and in Article 13 five members form a quorum for erasing a name from the Club roll. The amendment proposes to increase both numbers to eight. This, I take it, depends on whether the proposal to increase the number of the General Committee is approved or not, which question is dealt with next.

Article 45 provides that the management of the Club shall be vested in a General Committee, composed of the officers of the Club and six other members. The amendment proposes nine other members, instead of six. Taking into consideration the present size of the Club, this appears a necessary amendment.

The next Article to be amended is No. 47, which states that the officers of the Club shall consist of a Captain and an Honorary Secretary. It has been customary in the past to elect one of the senior members as Captain, but it is realised by the Committee that very often the captain holds many other honorary positions on the numerous Committees in the Colony, and it is not reasonable to expect him to devote the time to the Golf Club that is looked for in a Captain. On the other hand, it is realised that it is a benefit to have one of the senior members to represent the Club on occasions when the influence of a senior member would be a great asset. In order to get over this difficulty, it is proposed to have an additional officer, a President, who would fill the rôle of Father of the Club; and to elect a Captain from one of the members who is qualified for the office by his knowledge of the game, and can give the necessary time to the duties. In the event of this amendment being passed it would, of course, necessitate the substitution of the word President for Captain in Articles 38, 73, 74 and 80, which appear under the heading of "Meetings."

We now pass on to the proposed amendments to Articles 31 and 33, which come under the heading of "Subscribers," who consist of officers of the Navy and Army of Great Britain, stationed in Hongkong and China. It is proposed to extend the same privileges, (that is, no entrance fee, and, in the case of Subordinate Officers, a reduced subscription) to naval and military officers of the United States of America stationed in China and Hongkong. This is a question not merely of courtesy on the part of the members of the Golf Club; it is a matter of international importance, assisting to seal the friendship which should exist between two English-speaking nations. There is no doubt that American officers would appreciate the fact that the members of the Golf Club extended the same welcome to them as to British officers.

The third and last proposal, is the amendment of Article 61, which comes under the heading of "Management." This amendment is one for careful consideration, in that it delegates more powers to the General Committee. To realise its significance we must turn back to Article 59, which empowers the General Committee to make, alter and repeal all such By-laws as they may deem necessary or convenient for the proper conduct and management of the Club, without consulting the members, subject to certain qualifications, vide Article 61, which reads at present as follows: "Provided that no By-law shall be inconsistent with, or shall affect or repeal, anything contained in the Memorandum or Articles of Association, and that any By-law may be set aside by a special resolution of a general meeting of the Club." It is proposed to amend this Article by adding after the word "Memorandum," the words "of Association" and after the word "or," "in the." Then comes the most important part of the amendment. After the words "Articles of Association," it is proposed to add the following exception: "Except in so far as By-laws may be made in respect of the establishment and carrying of a Junior Club or Clubs or branches at Happy Valley or elsewhere."

(Continued at foot of next column.)

THE REVOLUTION IN PORTUGAL.

AN OFFICIAL PRONOUNCEMENT.

The following telegram has been received from Peking, dated 23rd October, by the Consul-General of Portugal at Shanghai: "Recognising the immediate necessity of settling with urgency the fundamental problems of the economic and financial life and international policy of Portugal, His Ex. the President of the Republic has accepted the resignation handed in by the Antonio Granjo Cabinet and decided to organise a Government of technical men and specialists in the various branches of public administration chosen from outside of political parties with the determined support of the same as well as of the people and of the land and naval forces. The new Government, which corresponds to national aspirations, can really be considered a national government in view of its organisation and aims. The Cabinet consists of: Colonel Manuel Maria Coelho, Minister for the Interior, Vasco Vasconcelos, Minister of Justice; Veiga Simoes, Minister for Foreign Affairs; Pires Carvalho, Minister of Commerce and Labour; Francisco Antonio Correia, Minister of Finance; Colonel Oliveira Simoes, Minister of War; Macedo Pinto, Minister of the Colonies; Joao de Deus Ramos, Minister of Education; Antao Gomes Minister of Agriculture."

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NAVIGATION OF THE YANGTZE GORGES.

BOYCOTT OF FOREIGN SHIPPING.

According to a foreign official despatch received here from Ichang, the steamer *Anlan* reported on her return from Chungking that during her trip up-river, which was made under escort of H.M.S. *Teal*, the only serious fire encountered by the vessels was directed against the *Teal* near the Wuhang Gorge. The Robert Dollar boats and the *Loongmaw* are boycotted at Chungking, the *Anlan* reports, and are unable to load or discharge cargo.

HANKOW, October 33th.—A wireless message from Ichang, dated 23rd October, states that the steamers *Mei an* and *Anlan* returned from Chungking yesterday. They report that all steamers arrived safely at Chungking. The *Loongmaw* was boycotted and not permitted to discharge her cargo or the baggage of the passengers. Captain Hall's life was threatened. The *Loongmaw* was not permitted to leave and a guard of four men from the U.S.S. *Monocedy* was placed on board. H.M.S. *Teal* was in action on the 15th with rifles and machine-guns against the *Sechwan* at Kuantukow for half an hour.

DRINK BY PRESCRIPTION.

U.S. PROHIBITION MODIFIED.

New York, August 19th.—The revolt in Congress against the autocratic enforcement of prohibition has placed the "drys" in a position in which they must choose between the law permitting the householder to manufacture intoxicants for his own use or unrestricted prescribing by physicians of wines and beer. The energetic opposition of the Anti-Saloon League to the bill favouring private manufacture prevented the delegates of the House of Representatives and the Senate agreeing upon terms, and it is indicated that the "drys" will accept the new Treasury regulations regarding physicians' prescriptions as the lesser of two evils. The prohibitionists confess that the law permitting private manufacture would make the task of enforcing the anti-liquor laws more hopeless than it is at present, whereas they believe they can keep track of the doctors to some extent, although they admit that the country will immediately be flooded with imported beer pending the time the domestic breweries take to manufacture a new supply. With but a few days remaining before the adjournment, the Senate yesterday devoted much time to listening to various members denounce Representative Volstead, author of the Prohibition Enforcement Law, and officials of the Anti-Saloon League, who are accused of shamelessly and openly lobbying and even entering the secret committee meetings of both Houses to work their "insolent, autocratic will."

In conclusion, I would like to say that with the exception of the last, I do not think the members of the Club should have the least hesitation in accepting the proposed alterations as they stand, but I would like to bear the last one debated before voting on it. So far as its present intended purpose is concerned (which I happen to know), I have no hesitation in voting for it, but it is just as well to look ahead.

The General Committee have obviously devoted a great deal of time considering these points, and it is only fair for members to show their appreciation of this by attending the meeting.

CHINA'S TRADE AND THE OPEN DOOR.

MR. J. O. P. BLAND REPLIES TO MR. LENOX SIMPSON.

An article on China's Proposed Tariff Revision, contributed to the *Financial News*, by Mr. B. Lenox Simpson has been strongly criticised in the same London daily by Mr. J. O. P. Bland. At the outset, Mr. Bland points out that "Mr. Lenox Simpson repeats his absurd assertion that Great Britain's only interest in China is commercial, but after giving fantastic estimates of the probable development of China's trade in the near future, and emphasising the consequent importance of preserving the open door, he proceeds to the remarkable conclusion that it is imperative for the commercial community to keep a watchful eye on the political scene meaning thereby Japan." Quoting Mr. Simpson's own words, as reported by the *New York Times*, with regard to a "regular campaign (in England) for the protection of China against Japan," Mr. Bland says that campaign is essentially political, and that British trade interests are only invoked for purposes of ground bait. Dealing with Mr. Simpson's statement that the comparative insignificance of China's trade is not due to any inefficiency of the Chinese Government, but to the antiquated fiscal system, he asserts it is untrue that the restriction of China's trade is entirely, or even chiefly, due to the existing *likin* system. On the contrary, he says, the authority of the last annual report of the Chinese Maritime Customs, that no real reform, whether of the fiscal system, or the currency, or the judiciary, is even remotely possible so long as the Central Government represents nothing more than the interests of a group of politicians unable to exercise any effective authority beyond the limits of the Metropolitan Province. Manchuria, he says, is the only part of China where trade has shown steady improvement and progress during the past ten years, and this because Japan's protection of her vested interests has there prevented the scandalous squeezing and lawless plundering of the *Tuchun*'s regime. Mr. Simpson, he states, has drawn a purely imaginary picture of a wisely progressive Chinese Government, which the Powers should welcome to the family of nations, and he designates this as sheer flimflam, intended chiefly for American consumption, to pave the way for Young China's agitation for the abolition of extra-territoriality. In conclusion, Mr. Bland says the Peking Government has been severely denounced for the past three years for having sacrificed China's dignity, sovereign rights, and future revenues in return for Japanese loans, subsidies, and doles. There is no denying either the financial transactions in question or their detrimental effect upon the political independence and integrity of China. This being so, it would be interesting to know upon whose behalf Mr. Simpson is acting when he conducts this "regular campaign for the protection of China against Japan." As he speaking for the southern malcontents, who so freely denounce the corrupt Peking clique, or for the Government which, thanks to Japanese loans, is still able to afford the luxury of a foreign adviser? Or can it be that the Peking Government, having now pledged everything negotiable, would not be unwilling to see the day of reckoning averted, as the result of a campaign from which it is careful to dissociate itself? In the latter case, another question naturally arises, viz., how can England or America hope to protect the sovereign rights of a country whose rulers are prepared to mortgage or sell them? And, in any event, how is this protection to be afforded on the purely commercial, non-political basis upon which Mr. Simpson insists?

BRITISH-BUSINESS METHODS.

CAUSTIC ITALIAN CRITICISM.

The *Popolo Romano* printed recently a leading article which contained some outspoken criticism of English business methods. It remarked that fear of the eventual economic recovery of Germany in England was great, and possibly exaggerated, and proceeded:—

"English industry calls itself aristocratic in that it only produces goods of the very first quality, that it deigns to accept orders and does not solicit them, and that it sells at high prices because it does not fear competition. True, but an industry which has such a high opinion of itself should not, at the first sign of competition, cry out that the end of the world has come and demand protective measures, which is what British industry is doing now."

It is not enough to manufacture goods of the best quality, the journal points out. You must also pay attention to the price and tastes of the purchaser. Before the war Germany was successfully rivalling Great Britain because, although her goods may have been of inferior quality, they appealed both to the taste and the purse. Still more is the British system of payment to blame. Not only do merchants refuse credit, but they often actually expect to be paid in advance, in that they demand a deposit in an English bank upon which they may draw. As long as other sellers give credit and British sellers expect credit to be given to them and foreign capital to be locked up in British banks for their advantage, so long will British trade decrease.

The newspaper asserts that it could give the names of many firms who ordered and paid for machinery in England eight months ago and who are still awaiting delivery, while letters pointing out that the Italian firms paid the machinery when the pound sterling cost 100 lire and that therefore some reduction should be accorded are treated with a rudeness which would be impossible from any other country. British merchants are certainly handicapped by the rate of exchange, but even more by their own methods of business.

The *Popolo Romano* may possibly exaggerate, but it undoubtedly touches on the main reason why German penetration in Italy is being so successful.

CHINA'S FOREIGN INDEBTEDNESS.

"SAVING CHINA FROM BANKRUPTCY."

Chinese news agencies report that several conferences have taken place recently between the Acting Minister of Finance and representatives of the Chinese Bankers' Association in regard to a scheme for "saving China from bankruptcy."

One report states that under the presidency of Mr. Pan Fu (the Acting Minister of Finance) representatives of the Minister of Finance had a special conference for the discussion of suggestions made by Sir F. Algen, Inspector-General of the Maritime Customs, relating to the readjustment of the foreign debts of the Chinese Republic and the establishment of a sinking fund with the co-operation of the Chinese Bankers' Association. Particulars of Sir Frances Algen's Memorandum are unavailable for publication at present. It is said, however, that if the suggestions of the Inspector-General are carried out the Government can expect an increase of no less than one hundred million dollars by an increase of customs duties as compensation for the abolition of the *likin* taxes by reorganizing the Government wine and tobacco taxes throughout the country and by the creation of certain leviable new taxes. The proposal of the authorities is to use these incomes as a security for the raising of a big loan or for selling bonds in both the foreign and Chinese money markets for the adjustment of China's foreign debts.

CHINA'S AERIAL MAIL SERVICE.

ABANDONED THROUGH LACK OF FUNDS.

The Asiatic News Agency says:—Owing to lack of funds, the 160 special police officers and men who have been trained by General Ting Ching for the protection of the aerial stations in Peking and Tientsin will be disbanded soon because, General Pan Chu-yin, the new Director of the Government Aeronautical Bureau, has definitely given up the proposed air mail and passenger service between Peking and Shanghai via Tientsin. The members of the Bureau have practically nothing to do. The Bureau will either be amalgamated with the Ministry of Communications or be abolished, chiefly because funds are lacking for its maintenance. Moreover, it is considered that China has no need of an air service either commercially or otherwise.

CHINESE STUDENTS AND THE LATE SENATOR KNOX.

The Asiatic News Agency reports that under the leadership of the Chinese students' association twenty-six public organizations of Tientsin have joined in sending a Chinese eulogy to the relatives of the late American ex-Secretary of State, Senator Knox, through the medium of the American Legation in Peking. The Chinese organizers of the tribute say that when the late Senator Knox was Secretary of State, under President Roosevelt, he suggested the internationalization of the railways in the three provinces of Manchuria, but the proposal was shelved on account of a joint protest by Japan and Russia. Later, when he was a Senator, he fought in the American Senate stoutly against the Shantung settlement in the Versailles Peace Treaty. Therefore they consider China has lost one of her best friends in the present crisis of her history when she is struggling to gain a position among the Powers. The Chinese eulogy will be translated into the English language by the Chinese Students' Association in Washington for presentation to the Knox family.

THE PROBLEMS OF THE FAR EAST.

POSITION OF INDO-CHINA IN THE PACIFIC.

PARIS, October 25th.—The "Avenir," emphasising the remarkable position held by Indo-China in the Pacific, insists that it is impossible for France not to interest herself in the problems of the Far East. It is on account of Indo-China, through her and for her, that France must regard the Pacific problem, for all the other questions, military, naval and economic, which will be brought up at the Washington Conference, interest in some degree the development and security of Indo-China and vice-versa. It is in Indo-China that the key to many of the controversial problems is to be found. The "Avenir" expresses the conviction that M. Albert Sarraut, the Minister of the Colonies, will bear this in mind when he is taking part in the Washington Conference, to which the Premier conceived the happy idea of inviting him together with some of the most qualified experts on French expansion in Asia.—*French Wireless.*

THE METHOD OF MOUNTING

spectacle glasses is of the greatest importance," writes Dr. O. Hartridge, F.R.C.S., Ophthalmic Surgeon and Lecturer on Ophthalmic Surgery to the Westminster Hospital, "they must be accurately centred in frames that are light, strong and fit well, otherwise the good effect of the most carefully chosen correction may be entirely frustrated by a faulty position of the glasses, or even a fresh source of eye-strain may be introduced." The Hongkong Optical Co., successors to Clark & Co., Refracting and Manufacturing Opticians, located in 63, Queen's Road Central, have the equipment and instrument to adjust your spectacle to a nicety. Advrt. [602]

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber, yesterday. There were present:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR (Sir REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G.)
HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER COMMANDING THE TROOPS (Lieut.-General Sir GEORGE M. KIRKPATRICK, K.C.B., K.C.S.I.)
Hon. Mr. CLAUD SEVERN, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary).
Hon. Mr. J. H. KEMP, K.C., G.B.E. (Attorney-General).
Hon. Mr. C. McLELLAN, M.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer).
Hon. Mr. S. B. C. ROSS, O.B.E. (Secretary for Chinese Affairs).
Hon. Mr. E. A. INYING (Director of Education).
Hon. Mr. T. L. PERKINS (Director of Public Works).
Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.
Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK.
Hon. Mr. LAU CHU-PAK.
Hon. Mr. Ho Fook.
Hon. Mr. A. G. STEPHEN.
Hon. Mr. H. W. BIRD.
Hon. Mr. S. B. McLELLAN (Clerk of Council).

MINUTES.
The minutes of the last meeting of the Council were approved and signed by the President.

PAPERS.
The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid on the table Regulations made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 3 of the Licensing Ordinance No. 8, of 1897, which were published in the Government Gazette of October 28th, 1921.

FINANCE.
The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid upon the table Financial Minute No. 114 and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee. The Colonial Treasurer seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid upon the table the Report of Finance Committee (No. 32), and moved that it be adopted. The Colonial Treasurer seconded and the motion was agreed to.

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS BY HON. MR. POLLOCK.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C., said:—I beg to give notice that I shall put the following questions at the next meeting of the Legislative Council, namely:—

1.—When does the Government intend to publish the Report of the Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the purpose of considering what measures can best be taken

(i).—To facilitate the prompt acquisition by applicants of sites, which they require?

(ii).—To facilitate the prompt passing of building plans?

2.—What measures does the Government propose to take for the purpose of carrying out the recommendations made in the Report of the Commission on Child Labour?

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the second reading of the Bill intitled an Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinances, 1908 and 1921.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: I beg to move that the Council now go in Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was agreed to.

On sub-Clause 3 of Clause 4, in the first line of paragraph (a) and the first line of paragraph (b), the Attorney-General moved that the words "three months" be substituted for the word "one month" in each case. The motion having been seconded by the Colonial Secretary, was adopted by the Committee to stand part of the Bill.

On the Council resuming the ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Council assented to the third reading.

The Bill passed accordingly.

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the second reading of the Bill intitled an Ordinance to amend further the Legal Practitioners Ordinance, 1871.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was agreed to.

Council resolved itself into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause. The Bill passed through Committee without amendment, and on Council resuming it was read a third time on the motion of the ATTORNEY-GENERAL seconded by the Colonial Secretary.

The Bill passed accordingly.

THE RENTS ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL referred to the report of the proceedings of the Standing Law Committee, held on October 28th, 1921, which had been circulated and laid on the table. He said: I beg, also, to move the second reading of the Bill to amend the Rents Ordinance, 1921.

As will be seen by the report of the Standing Law Committee, that Committee recommends that Clauses 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the Bill should be omitted and that three new draft clauses which appear in the report should be inserted. These proposed changes require a short explanation.

The general reason, I think, for the omission of Clauses 7 to 10 is that it is desirable, in an Ordinance of this temporary character, to avoid making any amendments other than those which are absolutely necessary. Clause 7 was intended to safeguard tenants, somewhat, in cases where the landlord proposes to give notice to quit on the ground of intention to pull down or reconstruct. No doubt the clause would have been some additional safeguard to tenants, but I think it is not essential and the tenant will always be able to raise the question of the good faith of the notice at a later stage. Clause 8 is intended to provide that notice to quit, given by a tenant, should not affect any sub-tenant who had

not joined in or confirmed the notice. At the time the Clause was drafted this was believed to be the effect of the existing law and, as I explained when introducing the Bill the first time, the Supreme Court, in Summary Jurisdiction, has since declared that to be the effect of the existing Ordinance. I think, therefore, this Clause may be safely omitted. Clause 9 is very much on the same point and may be safely omitted also. Clause 10 was rather intended in the interests of the landlords but, as they appeared to object somewhat to Clause 7, 8 and 9, I do not think they can ask for the insertion of Clause 10.

That leaves the Bill with Clauses 2 and 3, (which make certain minor amendments), Clause 4 (which gives power to transfer sections from Summary to Original Jurisdiction, which is clearly necessary), Clause 5 (which makes it an offence to issue a distraint in excess of the standard rent) and Clause 6 (which makes it an offence to commit any act mala fide to induce the tenant of a domestic tenement to give up his tenancy). The three additional Clauses, as I think, justified on public grounds quite apart from any conflicting interest of landlords and tenants. The first of these clauses (which will be numbered "7") provides that, where a landlord gives notice with the intention of pulling down or reconstructing the house, or block of houses, notice given to the immediate tenant of the landlord shall bind all the sub-tenants. It is obvious that the owner cannot always know who the sub-tenants are, and if he is obliged to give notice to every sub-tenant as well as the immediate tenant he may find, when he comes to pull down the property, his way blocked by some sub-tenant of whom he was unaware and whose existence, perhaps, was deliberately concealed from him. I think it is only fair to provide that any notice given in those circumstances shall bind all the sub-tenants. If a landlord had to find out and give notice to all sub-tenants it might appreciably delay the development of the property.

The new Clause 8 deals with the same sub-section of the original Ordinance, namely the one referring to cases where the landlord intends to pull down and reconstruct in the following case:—The owner agrees to sell his property to a purchaser who intends to pull the house down and rebuild or reconstruct, through the actual completion of the purchase may take some time. The owner, therefore, agrees with the intending purchaser to give all the necessary notices to the tenants so as to enable the purchaser to commence at once his building operations. Under the present law, the owner (the vendor) cannot give notice because he does not intend to rebuild and the intending purchaser cannot give it because he is not the owner. This clause is intended to enable the owner to give notice to the tenants on behalf of the intending purchaser.

Clause 9 provides that if a lessee is adjudged bankrupt he ceases to have any claim under Section 3 of the principal Ordinance, in other words, he cannot rely on that Section in order to enable him to remain on in possession of the premises. His interest ceases on adjudication and his trustee's interest also ceases. I beg to move the second reading.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill passed the second reading.

The Council resolved itself into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that Clause 7 of the Bill be omitted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was carried.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that the clause marked "7" in the report of the Standing Law Committee be substituted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was carried.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that Clause 8 of the Bill be omitted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was agreed to.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that the clause marked "8" in the report of the Standing Law Committee be substituted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was agreed to.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that Clause 9 of the Bill be omitted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was agreed to.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that the clause marked "9" in the report of the Standing Law Committee be substituted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was agreed to.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that the third reading of the Bill as amended in Committee.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Bill passed accordingly.

MERCANTILE BANK NOTE ISSUE ORDINANCE.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C., moved the second reading of the Bill intitled an Ordinance to extend for a further period the powers granted by the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, to the Mercantile Bank of India Limited, to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes in the Colony.

The Hon. Mr. Ho Fook seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

Council considered the Bill in Committee clause by clause and passed it without amendment.

On Council resuming, the Bill was read a third time. The Bill was read a third time and passed.

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STONE THROWING AT MOTOR CARS.

BOY'S READY EXCUSES UNAVAILING.

Stone throwing at a passing motor-car was alleged against a Chinese boy, before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. Robert Yip, compradore of Messrs. Reiss & Co., said he was driving car No. 232 in Pokfulam Road soon after 3 p.m., on Wednesday, when he saw the accused throw a goal-sized stone which struck the body of the car with some force.

He got out of the car and chased and caught the boy who begged to be excused. As this was the sixth or seventh time this sort of thing had happened to him in that part of Saiyingsun witness decided, to give the accused in charge to make an example of him.

The boy said he was running to a medicine shop to get something for his mother's headache. He accidentally kicked a stone against the car. It was not done intentionally.

Inspector Appleton said that stone throwing was common in the district and caused much annoyance to the many motorists who used the road daily. The same evening a police sergeant on patrol had two stones thrown at his motor cycle in Bonham Road, but unfortunately he did not see the person who threw them.

The boy's parents came forward and the Magistrate told them they must teach him not to behave in such an unruly manner.

The father: We sent him to school, but apparently he is not taught there.

The Magistrate: These things must be taught at home.

The father: At home he is a quiet and obedient boy.

The Magistrate: I don't want to have him beaten here, but you should punish him at home. I will find him \$5. You can pay and then punish him.

"WHEN BEARCAT WENT DRY"

A cast so well-balanced that no one stands out from the rest is a feature in "When Bearcat Went Dry," the six-reel super-picture that will be the attraction at The World Theatre to-night. This great picture-play, adapted from Charles Neville Buck's famous novel of the Kentucky mountains, has more thrills in it than are usually found in three features. The running fights between two of the fighting elements that compose inhabitants of this mountain district furnish enough excitement to satisfy the most exacting of audiences. Through the story runs a love romance that is as sweet as the water that trickles down the sides of the Cumberland mountains, amid which the story of the play is laid.

THE ADJOURNMENT.

The Hon. Mr. POLLOCK, rising as His Excellency was about to announce the adjournment of the Council, said: Sir, With reference to the adjournment of the Council the Unofficial Members have not had an opportunity yet of meeting to discuss the Budget Bill and I think we should like a further adjournment—say till Monday week, the 14th inst. Speaking for myself, it would be a great convenience.

His Excellency: I am prepared to adjourn for a further week if it is desired.

The Hon. Mr. POLLOCK: I said Monday because Mr. Stephen will not be here on Thursday fortnight. If Your Excellency would kindly adjourn until Monday, 14th, that would suit everybody.

His Excellency accordingly adjourned the Council until Monday, the 14th inst.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Financial Committee followed, the Colonial Secretary presiding.

GOVERNMENT QUARTERS IN HAPPY VALLEY.
The Governor recommended the Council to vote \$27,000 in aid of the following votes:—

Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Buildings—
Additional Quarters at Happy Valley (12 houses) \$20,000
Miscellaneous—
Central Police Station—
Reconstruction of kitchen and bath-room block 7,000

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The CHAIRMAN: In the first case, the amount provided in this year's estimates is \$50,000, but the estimated total expenditure for the year on these quarters is \$70,000, the reason being that not so much was expended in 1920 as was expected. The expenditure in 1920 was \$35,692. The total estimated cost of the work is \$155,692 and the amount of the accepted tender is \$101,730. Therefore, more has been expended this year than was estimated for and \$20,000 is asked for. With regard to the second item, the amount provided in this year's estimates is \$35,000 and the estimated total expenditure for the year is \$42,000. A supplementary vote of \$7,000 is asked for. The same reason exists there. In 1920 the expenditure was \$4,237. When the estimates were drawn up it was expected to be more; therefore, more is carried into the current year than is estimated for. The total cost of the work is \$44,237 and the amount of the accepted tender is \$50,034. I understand that certain extras brought it up to \$4,000 over the accepted tender after the work was started.

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: Yes. The vote was approved.

ALLEGED "SNATCHING" IN THE CENTRAL DISTRICT.

IDLE HOUSEBOY OR THIEF?

A Chinese youth was charged before Mr. Lindell at the Magistracy yesterday, with snatching a handbag in Queen's Road Central.

Miss Lena Chou told the Court that, at noon on Monday, she was leaving the Kwong Tai Loong shop when the defendant snatched her leather handbag and made off. She gave chase. The boy ran up Zetland Street into Onian Street and then up Wyndham Street. She stumbled and fell in Wyndham Street, but an Indian gentleman took up the chase and caught the accused in Wellington Street. The bag was not found.

Mr. Curranbroy, of Messrs. Tyob & Co., said he was walking in Wyndham Street when Miss Chou called out to him to catch the accused. He chased and caught him in Wellington Street.

The defendant denied snatching the bag or being in Queen's Road on Monday. He said he was playing "catch" with a friend in Wellington Street when Mr. Curranbroy caught him.

The Magistrate remanded the case until to-day for the boy to call his friend who, he said, worked in a house in Barker Road. The defendant said he worked on the Peak as a cook's assistant and had come down in the same tram with his friend to buy provisions.

SPORT.

CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE C.C. v. CHINESE R.C.

In this League match the following will represent the Civil Service on the C.R.C. ground at 2.15 p.m. to-morrow:—

G. R. Sager (captain), R. E. O. Bird, F. J. de Rome, R. C. Wiltchell, W. H. Edmonds, F. J. Ling, E. C. Fincher, E. E. Dunkley, H. E. Strange, E. B. Reed, and E. W. Hamilton.

FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON v. R.G.A.

In this 1st division match to-morrow on the Kowloon ground at 4.30 p.m. the home club will be represented by Eve, Morrison and Oswick; Coupland, Weyman (capt), and McKelvie; Millard, Pasco, Townsend, A. Duncan, and Combs.

CARLISLE v. KOWLOON.

In this 2nd division match to-morrow on the Navy ground at 3 p.m., the Kowloon team will consist of Muskett, Spary and Adams; Hever, Roberts and White; Donovan, G. Duncan, Mason, Hazlett and Rasmussen. Reserves:—

Freddy, Brown and Estorff.

STUDENTS OF FORTY COUNTRIES TO MEET IN PEKING.

At the urgent invitation of the Christian Student Movement of China the World's Student Christian Federation is arranging to hold its Eleventh Conference in Peking, April 4th to 8th, 1922.

Previous Conferences of this Federation have been held in Sweden, the United States, Germany, France, Denmark, Holland, Japan, England and Turkey. The coming Conference will be the first held in China since the organization of the Federation in 1893, and the second held in the Far East.

The writer who forwards this information says:—

The World's Student Christian Federation unites the students of the world around the highest ideals of thought and action. It is the only broadly international organization which was able to continue its service to all alike throughout the Great War. Its membership is composed of national groups of Christian students. There are two such groups in China, the Young Men's Christian Association organized in 184 schools and colleges, and the Young Women's Christian Association organized in 90 schools and colleges. Both of these National Student Movements are members of the World's Student Christian Federation. The Chinese representatives on the Federation are: Dr. C. T. Wang, Mr. C. C. Nieh, Miss Yu Jung Fan and Miss Grace Yang.

Preparations for the Conference have been entrusted to a joint Committee appointed by the National Committees of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association. This committee is being appointed from among the most interested men and women throughout the whole country. Eight members of it, resident in Shanghai, constitute the Executive Committee. These are: Chairman, Dr. T. H. Lee; Vice-Chairman, Dr. Mary Stone; Secretary, the Rev. K. T. Chung; Treasurer, Dr. C. T. Wang; Mr. T. C. Ta, President of the Shanghai College, Y.M.C.A.; Mrs. T. C. Chu, Miss Phoebe Hoh and Miss Chang Hsiao-mei of Bridgman School, Y.W.C.A.

At this time when China's internal chaos so truly mirrors the chaotic condition of the entire world, it is particularly fitting to welcome to this land members of an organization which prominently represents international harmony and good will. The Conference to be held in Peking next Spring will voice the conviction of the students of the world that the hope of the future lies not in force, which leads to conflict, but in co-operation which leads to deeper understanding and mutual benefit.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd., Agents. Hongkong, November 3rd, 1921. [1701]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 7th day of November, 1921, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Pipers Hill, Tai Po Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1893, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years, less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	As per plan	278.5000		

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held on FRIDAY, the 4th November, at 12.30 P.M. in the CHAMBER ROOM, Charter Bank Buildings, 3 Queen's Road Central, for the purpose of nominating a Representative of the Chamber to serve on the Legislative Council during the absence from the Colony of the Hon. Mr. F. H. HODGKINSON. Notice in writing of the names of candidates and of their proposer and seconders to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the General Meeting. By Order.

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary. Hongkong, October 29th, 1921. [1679]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIFTH GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at the Happy Valley on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, commencing at 3.00 P.M. The Charge for admission will be \$1. for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half price. The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present. [1693]

ST. ANDREW'S BALL 1921.

REEL PRACTISES.

THE FIRST REEL PRACTISE will take place in the CITY HALL on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, at 5 P.M., instead of FRIDAY, November 11th, as previously notified. By order of the Committee. T. W. HILL, (Hon. Secretary. [1695])

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE BONUS of \$1,000,000 authorised by the Special Resolutions of the above Company passed and confirmed on the 13th and 31st days of August, 1921, respectively will be distributed to those persons who are registered on the 12th day of November, 1921, as holders of the issued shares of the Company. Such Bonus will, pursuant to the Agreement which the Board of Directors of the Company has been authorised to enter into, be satisfied by the payment out of the unissued capital of the Company to the above persons of one new share of \$10 credited as fully paid up. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th November, 1921, to the 15th November, 1921 both days inclusive. By Order of the Board, H. N. BEAUREPAIRE, Secretary. Dated the 28th October, 1921. [1699]

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held in the Board Room of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Ltd., Hongkong, on the Ninth day of November, 1921, at 5.15 o'clock in the afternoon when the subjoined resolutions will be proposed as extraordinary resolutions:— That the Articles of Association of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club be amended as follows:—

- Articles Nos. 11 & 13 by the deletion of the word "five" therefrom and the substitution of the word "eight".
- Article No. 45 by the deletion of the word "six" in the fourth line thereof and by the substitution thereof of the word "nine".
- Article No. 47 by the insertion of the word "President" before the word "Captain" in the 1st line thereof and the deletion of the word "both" in the 2nd line thereof and by the substitution thereof of the word "all".
- Article No. 48 by the deletion of the word "three" in the 1st line thereof and by the substitution thereof of the word "six".
- Articles Nos. 68, 73, 74, & 80 by the deletion of the word "President" wherever it appears in these Articles and the substitution thereof of the word "President".
- Article No. 82 by the addition of the word "President" before the word "Captain" in the first line thereof.

- Article No. 31 by the addition of the words "and the United States of America" after the words "Great Britain" in the 2nd line thereof.
- Article No. 33 by the addition of the words "and the United States of America" after the words "Great Britain" in the 11th line thereof.

III. By adding after the word "Memorandum" in the 2nd line of paragraph 61 the words "of Association" after the word "or" in the 3rd line of the same paragraph the words "in the" and after the word "Association" in the same line the words "except in so far as Byelaws may be made in respect of the establishment and carrying of a Junior Club of Clubs or Branches at Happy Valley or elsewhere."

Should these Resolutions with or without any amendments be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a second extraordinary general meeting which will be subsequently convened. By Order of the Committee. Dated this 31st day of October 1921. J. B. ROSS, Hon. Secretary. [1696]

NEW FRENCH LOAN.

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Issue of Bonds Fr. 500. Interest 6%, free from income tax. Price Fr. 498.50 net.

Interest payable every 6 months from 1st May, 1922.

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INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

MR. S. T. WILLIAMSON having resigned from our Company from date, Mr. T. ORTON is appointed General Manager, Director as from 1st November, 1921. MOLLER & Co. (Hongkong) Ltd., Eric Moller, Permanent Director, Hongkong, October 31st, 1921. [1683]

NOTICE.

I have established myself as a SHIP-AGENT, COAL and GENERAL MERCHANT as from 1st November, 1921. S. T. WILLIAMSON, 4th Floor, Union Building, Hongkong, November 1st, 1921. [1684]

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

DINNER DANCING—ARMISTICE NIGHT

A DINNER DANCING will be held on ARMISTICE NIGHT, FRIDAY, 11th NOVEMBER. [1690]

SALE OF OLD ARMY CLOTHING.

TENDERS are invited for the purchase of all old Army Clothing for the period ending 31st March, 1922. Forms of tender will be issued on application to the Chief Ordnance Officer, R.A.O.C. Depot. Samples of Clothing to be sold will be on view at the R.A.O.C. Depot, Queen's Road East, and tenders must reach the Ordnance Office at the above address not later than 12 noon on 15th November, 1921. [1680]

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TO-DAY.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 4th.

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Nov. 11th—NO PERFORMANCE.

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Nov. 13th—Compromised

Nov. 14th—Three Comedies and a Thrill GRAND GUIGNOL.

Nov. 15th—Brown Sugar (By General Request)

Nov. 16th—Doormats

Nov. 17th—The Law Divine

Nov. 18th—Eliza Comes to Stay

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[1691]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 4TH, 1921.

THE NEW TAXATION AT CANTON.

We published an article under this heading in our issue of October 17th, and pointed out that the new "consumption tax" now imposed by those at present in authority in Canton on all wines, spirits, and tobacco, imported into Canton whether by the Chinese themselves, or by British merchants, was, if not directly in breach of the Treaties between Great Britain and China, at any rate a serious infringement of the spirit and intention of the pledges thereby given by China. That this is so there can be no question; more particularly having regard to the terms of the British Commercial Treaty of 1903, which, although the most important Article of it may not yet be in force, clearly shows the meaning and intent of the earlier Treaties to be that, inasmuch as the Treaties of foreign goods into Chinese Treaty ports, free from all taxation other than the Custom tariff duties (which necessarily included the free dealing with such goods), therefore, no consumption tax, or taxes of any other kind, could be levied on such foreign goods; and, consequently, while the furtherance of British trade in China necessitated the abolition of lekin charges, it could only be made a condition of such abolition that a forced surtax might be imposed; leaving the rights of British subjects as they existed under the earlier Treaties, that is to say, to freely import, and deal with, their merchandise without further taxation. The words used in that Treaty are that, while "the Chinese Government are at liberty to impose a Consumption Tax on articles of Chinese origin not intended for export... the fact of goods being of foreign origin shall of itself free them from all taxation, delay, or stoppage, after having passed the Custom house." We were, therefore, incorrect in stating in our former

article that the imposition of this new consumption tax represented the first move of the kind taken in China, for, obviously, such a tax was well-known in China, certainly some 90 years ago, and was doubtless imposed whenever it could be; and it would seem to be not improbable that it was attempted to be improperly imposed on British imported goods; hence the words we have quoted from the Treaty, which were intended to prevent "the sudden and arbitrary imposition" of additional taxes "to the detriment of trade."

Complaints have been made by those now in authority in the Kwangtung provinces that the Government established at the present time in Canton has not been recognized by the foreign Powers. It is difficult to conceive how it can be expected to be recognized, so long as that Government regards as mere scraps of paper the Treaties entered into by China with the foreign Powers. In answer to a protest against the unlawful imposition of this new tax in respect of goods imported into Canton by British merchants, a suggestion has been made on behalf of that Government that it does not so regard the Treaties, but considers that the only goods of foreign origin which, by the Treaties, are free from all taxation, after having passed the Custom house, are goods in the nature of necessities, and not luxuries. The utter falsity of this suggestion is apparent from the wording of the earlier Treaties entitling British merchants to import into Canton, and other Treaty ports, "all merchandise," free of taxation other than the duties prescribed by the tariff. "All" merchandise necessarily means merchandize of any description, whether in the nature of luxuries or otherwise. And it is to be observed that, in the Treaty of 1903, it is expressly stated that "China is at liberty to fix the amount of this (consumption) tax" (payable only in respect of goods of native origin) "which may vary according to the nature of the merchandize concerned, that is to say, according as the articles are necessities of life or luxuries"; thus showing conclusively that the merchandize contemplated to be imported by British merchants was by no means confined to necessities, but included luxuries of all kinds.

It is very possible that the attitude now adopted in Canton is largely induced by the fact that the British Government not long ago decided to recognize the Soviet Government as the *de facto* Government of Russia, although not as the Government *de jure*. It is true that this was done, but done for the purpose of again establishing trade relations with Russia, and, so, for the benefit of British trade. Public opinion, however, has been very largely opposed to this, although it should have the effect of benefiting our country's trade to a certain extent; and there can be no doubt whatever that public opinion will put a stop to any recognition by the British Government of the present Government of Canton so long as the latter, to the detriment of trade, refuses to abide by the Treaties entered into between China and Great Britain. The refusal now made to permit the free importation of, and dealing with, wines and tobacco, on the flimsy pretext that such goods are luxuries only, which it was not intended should be covered by the words "all merchandise," is undoubtedly the thin end of the wedge; and, if stringent measures are not taken without delay to enforce the provisions of the Treaties, there is little doubt that further suicidal attempts will be made to kill British trade in China by the imposition of more taxes.

The *Empress of Asia* which arrived yesterday had on board 624 Chinese passengers. The Government motor-car service between Kalgan and Urga, which was discontinued a year ago, is to be resumed. The Prime Minister at Peking is reported as saying that it is intention of the Government to open the third Parliament in Peking on April 8th, 1922, regardless of the attitude of Kwangtung and other South-Western provinces.

A Canton news item in a Shanghai Chinese paper says: On October 26th, Dr. Wu Ting-fang arrived at Hsiaogan and asked Tang Shao-yi to come out of his native place to Canton and work for the Government. Mr. Tang declined and said that he is not willing to throw himself again into the whirlpool of the political and national troubles.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. F. Hay and Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Lammert returned to the Colony yesterday by the *Empress of Asia*.

Mr. Harry Ore announces the second of his series of piano recitals at the City Hall for Monday evening next. It is to be a Beethoven recital.

Kowloon is expected to have a motor bus service within about a month from now. A private limited Company has been formed, the moving spirit being Mr. Louie S. Pang.

It transpires that the Three Eastern Provinces (Manchuria) are donating \$100,000 towards the expenses of the Chinese Delegation to Washington. Kiangsu and Anhwei have each contributed \$10,000.

Chita, advises says that M. Yourin, Foreign Minister of the Far Eastern Republic, has left there for Moscow to consult to Messrs. Lenin and Trotsky with regard to Russian commercial mission in Peking and Dairen.

Some excitement was caused near Wing Lok Street, on Wednesday, when a bullock, being driven from a wharf, got out of control and charged a tramcar. Like Stephenson's famous "coo," the animal got the worst of the encounter and was killed by the impact.

Under the will of the late Mr. Zenjiro Yasuda, a wealthy resident of Tokyo, who was recently assassinated, a donation of yen 3,500,000 is made to the Tokyo City authorities for the erection of a city hall, another million yen for a lecture hall in the Tokyo University and yen 3,000,000 is bequeathed to the Home Office "for the purpose of enhancing general morality"—a total of seven and a half millions.

Mr. T. Lin, Secretary to H.E. Dr. Wu Ting-fang, Minister of Foreign Affairs, at Canton writes to point out that in the article published in the *Daily Press* of the 31st ultimo as an interview with Dr. Wu, Mr. Severn was reported as having taken part in a discussion at Canton some 18 months ago. This, however, is not correct as Mr. Severn has not yet even called on Dr. Wu Ting-fang. We regret the inadvertent mention of the Hon. Mr. Severn's name and make the necessary correction.

It is not our wont, says the *London and China Express*, to trouble our readers with what the fashions may be from time to time, or to keep up with the vagaries of feminine changes; but we may be permitted to note how the Far East seems to hold sway at the present time. It dominates French taste, and we are assured that Chinese designs, as well as Chinese colourings are to be the feature during the coming winter. Oriental colourings and patterns are certainly most strikingly impressive at the present moment, as anyone may see who takes his walks abroad.

An announcement appears in our advertisement columns to-day of the Garden Fete and Sale on Work to be held in the grounds of Government House on Saturday, November 12th, under the Hongkong Women's Guild and the Ministering Children's League. This annual event, for many years past, has been well supported by the community and we do not doubt that this occasion will form no exception to the general rule. The ladies and children of the Colony have been preparing for the event for many weeks past and a host of attractions are announced in the advertisement. The proceeds are in aid of local charities and other Children's Funds.

Shanghai is to have its "snack" wagons. An application has been made to the municipal authorities by a Mr. J. F. Hull for the necessary licence. "What I propose to do under the licence if granted," he says in his letter of application, "is to operate a portable restaurant; known in some places as a 'Snack' wagon and in other as a 'coffee wagon.' I propose to operate the wagon at night, principally, at such places as the corner of Nanking Road and The Bund, junction of Broadway and Seward Road, and other similar places throughout the city where the density of the night traffic would make such an institution profitable and where the placing of the wagon would not interfere with street traffic or police regulations. From the wagon, I propose to serve light lunches such as hot coffee and tea—hot meat sandwiches—hot soup—cakes—baked beans and anything else in the line of 'Snack' dishes as experience shows to appeal to the general tastes of the patrons. It is not proposed to serve or sell any liquors. If the licence is approved the wagon or wagons will be neatly and substantially constructed; either on a Ford truck or a four wheeled horse drawn vehicle designed especially to meet the requirements." The Council are prepared to comply with the request on certain specified conditions.

THE LATEST MERGER.

LANE-CRAWFORD AND WISEMANS.

We understand that arrangements have been made, subject to approval by the shareholders concerned, for the amalgamation of the business of Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. and Wisemans, Ltd.

The intention is to erect a large and up-to-date store, on the site now occupied by Wisemans in Des Voeux Road Central, for the accommodation of businesses. For the purposes of the amalgamation, Messrs. Lane, Crawford, who have hitherto been a private firm, will be re-organized as a limited liability company.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE CANCELS HIS PASSAGE.

London, November 3rd.

The Prime Minister has cancelled his passage by the Aquitania on Saturday, but he has not yet abandoned hope of going to Washington later.

EARLIER CABLES.

BRITISH DELEGATION DEPARTS.

London, November 2nd.

Mr. Balfour, Lord Cavan, Air-Marshal Higgins, Sir Maurice Hankey, and Sir John Jordan have left London for Liverpool en route to the Washington Conference. A large gathering witnessed their departure, including the American and Japanese Ambassadors.

Mr. Balfour, addressing the Pressmen, earnestly and confidently hoped for the success of the Conference. He said he would remain throughout the Conference, health permitting.

PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE TO-DAY.

London, November 2nd.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain, announcing the business programme for the remainder of the week, said he hoped to take the discussion on the Washington Conference on Friday.

TERMS OF THE DEBATE.

LATER.

Mr. Chamberlain said he had expressed doubt the previous day as to whether discussion was desirable, but had since, consulted Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Curzon. All were so completely agreed in their desire to see the Conference successful that the Government, confiding in the discretion of the Commons in the conduct of the discussion so as not to prejudice the success of the Conference, agreed to a debate.

Lord Winterton asked whether the resolution on which the discussion would be based would be so worded as to enable the whole question of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance to be raised.

Mr. Chamberlain did not think the resolution submitted by the Labour Party covered that question. He himself deprecated such discussion as contrary to public interest.

LATEST CABLES.

GERMANY'S NEXT PAYMENT.

THIRD QUARTERLY INSTALLMENT DUE IN JANUARY.

London, November 2nd.

Sir Robert Horne in a written reply to Cdr. Kenworthy in the House of Commons says that the next payment due to the Allies from Germany is half a milliard gold marks due in January, this being the third quarterly instalment of two milliards annually under Article 4 of the Schedule of Payments. He states that the effect of the payment on German exchange will depend on the form which the payment alternatively takes under the Treaty. Regarding the distribution of payments he mentions that after the costs of the army of occupation have been met from the payments Belgium has the priority to the cash receipt of the two milliard gold marks.

DUTCH EAST INDIES.

TEMPORARY INCREASE IN IMPORT AND EXPORT DUTIES.

Amsterdam, November 3rd.

The East-India budget provides for a temporary increase of twenty-five per cent. in all import and export duties, including the oil export tax, but the latter will shortly be superseded by a tax based on the net profits of producing companies. The Colonial Administration's expenditure for 1922 is estimated at 24,000,000 guilders and the revenue at 73,000,000 guilders.

U.S. MINERS STRIKE.

TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND OUT AS A PROTEST.

Indianapolis, November 3rd.

Twenty-five thousand coal miners have struck as a protest against a recent injunction restraining united mine workers from bringing miners from the Williamson coalfields in West Virginia into the Union.

A BIG MERGER.

AN IMPORTANT FORTHCOMING MEETING.

New York, November 3rd.

Stockholders in the Union Oil Company at Delaware meet here on November 17th to consider the merger with the Royal Dutch Shell Transport. Subject to possible modification, the foreign interests will control seventy-two per cent. of the stock of the new company and Union shareholders the remainder.

ARMISTICE DAY.

NATIONAL HOLIDAY IN UNITED STATES.

Washington, November 3rd.

Congress has passed a resolution making Armistice Day a national holiday.

COURT OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE.

The Hague, November 2nd.

A permanent Court of International Justice will be inaugurated at the end of January at the Peace Palace.

CANADIAN IMMIGRATION ACT.

BRITISH COLUMBIA WANTS TOTAL RESTRICTION.

Victoria, B.C., November 2nd.

The Legislature has passed a resolution requesting the Dominion Government to amend the immigration act so as totally to restrict Asiatic immigration into British Columbia.

RUSSIA'S DEBTS.

STRONG BRITISH REPLY TO THE SOVIET NOTE.

London, November 2nd.

The text of the British reply to the Soviet Note with reference to debts, mentioned earlier, declares that in announcing its intentions regarding foreign debts the Soviet Government has started upon the only path which can lead to the goal it professes to desire, namely, economic co-operation with other nations, but the British Government asks for further information before it can, in conjunction with the other Governments with which it is associated in the International Finance Commission, decide on its attitude. An explicit statement is asked of the Soviet's intentions regarding obligations other than those mentioned, such as loans to the Tsarist Government since 1914, municipal and railway loans and claims by foreign owners of property in Russia confiscated or destroyed by the Soviet.

EARLIER CABLES.

EXPLANATIONS WANTED.

London, November 2nd.

The British Government sent to Moscow yesterday, a strong reply to the Soviet Note in regard to Russian debts, pointing out certain obscurities and asking for further explanations. It is pointed out in London that while the Soviet Note referred to Tsarist debts, in which France is highly interested; it did not refer to the enormous claims and municipal loans in which English capital is very largely involved.

FINANCIAL HORIZON CLEAR.

VIEWS OF FORMER CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

New York, November 2nd.

Mr. McKenna (formerly Chancellor of the Exchequer, and now Chairman of the London Joint City Midland Bank) has issued a statement declaring that the financial horizon seems clear. Though it is probable that considerable time will elapse before normal conditions are restored, he believes the corner has been turned.

Mr. McKenna found considerable interest taken in the question of international Government debts. Speaking from the British point of view, Mr. McKenna was of opinion that Britain would act wisely, having regard only to her industrial and economic position, if she were to remit the debts due to her. Mr. McKenna concluded that peace in industry was the prime need of the world, which looked to the United States to lead the way.

LATER.

Mr. McKenna has departed for England.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO CO.

REDUCTION OF DIVIDEND.

London, November 2nd.

At the meeting of the British North Borneo Co. (referred to in yesterday's cables) the Chairman, Sir West Ridgway explained that the decision to reduce the dividend from five to three per cent. in face of the record profit was due to the fact that trade depression, especially the rubber crisis, would mean a considerable drop in the Company's revenue during the current year, while the Company had financially to assist the rubber companies in its territory. Sir West Ridgway welcomed the Government Rubber Committee as a sign that the Government realised that a collapse, or partial collapse, of the rubber industry would gravely jeopardise the financial position of the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States.

Referring to attacks by the Anti-Slavery Society, Sir West Ridgway said that the Company did not desire to continue the controversy, especially as it understood the Society did not intend to continue the attacks. The Company would be glad of their co-operation in the improvement of the lot of the comparatively wild tribes of the interior, and in the recently acquired territory on the Dutch border.

INDIGNANT REPUTATION OF "CENTURY MAGAZINE".

ARTICLE.

Dealing with the recent attack in the Century Magazine, Sir West Ridgway reiterated that it was a tissue of lies. The writer was apparently the agent of a cinema firm and only spent one day in the territory, at Sandakan. The Directors had telegraphed to the Century Magazine indignantly protesting. The question of further steps would be considered. There need be no fear in regard to the honesty and efficiency of the Administration. He paid a warm tribute to the single-mindedness, sympathy, and devotion of the North Borneo Civil Service.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE.

MINIMUM AGE FOR STOKERS AT SEA.

London, November 2nd.

The Commission dealing with maritime questions at the International Labour Conference at Geneva has recommended eighteen as the minimum age for maritime stokers and trimmers, excepting in the case of Japan and India, where a minimum of sixteen has been fixed, subject to a certificate of physical fitness, to employment being confined to coastal traffic, and to regulations for employment after consultation between the most representative organisations of employers and workmen in those countries.

DEATH OF VISCOUNT SANDHURST.

London, November 2nd.

The death is announced of Viscount Sandhurst. [William Mansfield, first Viscount Sandhurst, born 1855, was twice Under Secretary for War and subsequently was appointed Governor of Bombay. He was a member of the Committee sent to South Africa to report on the subject of representative Government. The late peer was twice married, but, in default of a direct successor, the title goes to his brother, the Hon. J. W. Mansfield.]

EX-PRESIDENT POINCARÉ IN LONDON.

BRITISH DONATION FOR REBUILDING VERDUN.

London, November 2nd.

At a meeting at the Mansion House, Mr. Poincaré was presented with a cheque for £750,000, collected by the British League of Help towards rebuilding Verdun.

LUNCHEON WITH THE KING.

Paris, November 2nd.

The ex-President, M. Poincaré, and Mme. Poincaré, now in London, were the guests of King George at luncheon.

THE NEED FOR CO-OPERATION.

Paris, November 2nd.

At a dinner of the Franco-British International Union, the orators (notably the Lord Chancellor, the Attorney-General and the Rector of London University) emphasised the necessity of intimate co-operation between France and England.

The American and Italian Ambassadors were present.

THE ROYALIST RISING IN HUNGARY.

DETHRONEMENT OF THE HAPSBURG REQUIRED.

Paris, November 2nd.

The Conference of Ambassadors, considering that a Hungarian proclamation dethroning the Hapsburgs would provide the Little Entente with the guarantees of peace which it demands, and thus permit a cessation of military preparations, has decided to invite the Hungarian Government to proclaim the dethronement of the Hapsburgs before November 7th.

FRENCH TRIBUTES TO ALLIED HEROES.

Paris, November 2nd.

The customary All Souls Day celebrations took place throughout France, the military cemeteries being visited by large crowds, who paid their respects and laid flowers on the Allied soldiers' tombs.

DROUGHT SPOILS FRENCH BEET CROP.

Paris, November 2nd.

Owing to the drought, the beet harvest is very poor. It is estimated that the yield will not exceed 220,000 tons of refined sugar, compared with 325,000 tons last year.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

"MUI TSAI" IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS AGAIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GOVERNMENT'S FEEBLE REPLY.

London, November 2nd.

The subject of the Mui Tsai was again raised in the House of Commons at question time by Mr. T. J. Bennett, who asked whether there was any limitation except the Criminal Law to the right of purchasers of girls to demand any service they please, to punish them at will, or to treat them as concubines.

The Hon. E. F. Wood (Under Secretary for the Colonies), replying, said that undoubtedly in Hongkong, as elsewhere, the force of public opinion was a powerful adjunct to the Criminal Law in restraining ill-treatment of adopted children. He understood that by Chinese custom a girl could only be made a concubine with the consent of the man's wife, the girl herself, and her parents.

Col. Wedgwood asked if the custom was not illegal in China itself, and whether it was only legal in British Colonies and amounted to slavery.

Mr. Wood said that he and his predecessor continually repudiated the use of the term "slavery" in connection with the custom, but despaired of ever getting Col. Wedgwood to discontinue the term. He believed a Chinese law was passed making the custom illegal outside of British settlements. The Chinese, however, sanctioned the principle of adoption on a system of hire to the age of twenty-five on the preliminary payment of a lump sum.

CHINA'S DEFAULT TO U.S. BANKERS.

WASHINGTON, November 2nd.

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THE EDUCATION CONTROVERSY IN THE STRAITS.

PARLIAMENT SUPPORTS REGISTRATION ORDINANCE.

London, November 2nd.

In the House of Commons, the Hon. E. F. Wood (Under Secretary for the Colonies), confirmed an enquiry by Mr. George Barker (1 Barnes) that the Government had received a petition from Chinese in the Straits Settlements and the Malay States with a view to obtaining cancellation of the compulsory registration of Chinese teachers and school committees, as required by the 1920 Ordinance.

Mr. Wood added that, after consulting the Governor, he decided that this legislation should operate on an assurance being given that it would be sympathetically administered. The Governor had since assured him that the teachers and committees were registering satisfactorily.

ROMANISM IN CHINA.

POPE GIVES AUDIENCE TO PRELATES FROM FAR EAST.

Rome, November 2nd.

The Pope gave private audiences to Monsignor Emmanuel Prat, Apostolic Vicar of Amoy; and Monsignor Aguirre, Apostolic Vicar of Fokien. His Holiness was deeply interested in reports of the spread of Catholicism in China.

AN AYAH'S HOME.

London, November 2nd.

Viscountess Chelmsford opened an Ayah's Home at Hackney provided by the London City Mission. The Chairman said that since the premises were opened in 1902 they had proved a great blessing to ayahs and amahs who brought children from India to the Far East. The committee undertook to provide for ayahs until they found a family returning to the East. Mr. Lo Chong, Consul-General for China, and Colonel Darcy Bannerman, of the India Office, spoke appreciatively of the institution.

RUSSIANS IN MONGOLIA.

CLASH WITH CHINESE CAVALRY.

A telegram received in Peking from Tsaoanfu, dated October 21st, states that a body of Russians from Mongolia numbering between two and three hundred, appeared to the north of Tsaoanfu about a week ago and a clash between them and a force of Chinese cavalry followed in which one Chinese and two Russians were killed. The Russians then sued for a truce and are now being disbanded. A large number of Mongolians were found among them.

Sir Robertson Nicoll, in the British Weekly, announces that the Westminster Gazette will be transformed into a morning paper resembling the Times, priced at 2d. Mr. J. A. Spender, at present editor of the Westminster Gazette, will be Political Director. The transformation is backed by the most influential support.

RUINOUS STRIKES.

MR. CHURCHILL ON UNEMPLOYMENT.

Dundee on September 23rd on the subject of unemployment to representatives of the Town Council, Parish Council, and Education Authority.

Mr. Churchill said the Government, since the Armistice, had spent on the relief of unemployment, through the agency of the insurance scheme, over £105,000,000, and of that much the greater portion had been direct contributions from the Exchequer.

That might not have equalled the distress which had been created, but it certainly was a provision gigantic in itself, unexampled in previous British history, and utterly unparalleled at the present moment in every other country in the world. Even in the United States of America, very much better circumstances than we were, which did not stand as we did in the war, and which had its vaults overflowing with the gold of Europe, there was enormous and widespread unemployment, greater in degree and intensity in many parts than existed here, and the provision for it was far less, and in many cases perfectly nonexistent.

If we had not been for the last two years repeatedly stabbed at and struck at by strikes and stoppages in every branch of our industry, which we tried to recreate and revive after the war, there was no doubt whatever first of all that the distress would have been much less than it was; and, secondly, that our means of coping with that distress would have been much greater. Take only the case of the late coal strike. He was now informed that unemployment in this country had just crept back again to where it was on the eve of the coal strike.

When the coal strike began we were where we are now, and there was an expectation of a steady, continuous, progressive improvement, not on a great scale, but by means sweeping away the distress which existed, but at any rate a sensible improvement and modification, and then this catastrophe was thrown upon the nation. Unemployment all over the place was vastly increased, the unions not affected directly by the strike had their funds depleted by the need of keeping their own people who were on short time, and the State itself was the loser directly of something like 60 or 70 millions sterling, and indirectly the community had been the loser of a very much greater but not easily calculable sum.

DANGER OF HIGHER TAXATION.

We stood to-day in a position where difficulties were by no means confined to any one part of the country or to any one set of Government institutions. If there were difficulties locally, there were also tremendous difficulties with the Central Government. At the Exchequer the problems were of the gravest character, and if the taxation of the country had been sensibly increased at the moment, were they quite sure that they would not be checking all business enterprise and revival by imposing a still heavier burden on themselves locally? Were they quite certain that a heavy increase in the taxation of the country would not multiply and aggravate even the very unemployment which they were trying to cope with?

PESSIMISTIC EUGENISTS.

BEST HUMAN STOCKS DYING OUT.

The second International Congress of Eugenics, which opened on September 22nd in New York, was marked by a succession of speeches reflecting somewhat pessimistic views on the future of the human race owing to the rapid increase of the poorer strains and the breeding out of the best stocks.

The president of the congress, Professor Henry Fairfield Osborn, bewailed the growth of an individualism which threatened the existence of the family, its motto being, "Let us obey our own impulses; let us create our own standards; let each individual enjoy his own rights and privileges—for to-morrow the race dies." He illustrated his views by the development of New England, which in the course of the century has witnessed the passage of the many-child family into the one-child family. He observed that the next stage would be the no-child marriage and the extinction of the stock which had laid the foundations of the Republican institutions of the country.

Other speakers urged that the human race must study the science of eugenics to save it from going the way of all species of which we have paleontological records and from becoming extinct. Major Leonard Darwin discouraged expectations of great achievements by eugenics in the near future, and declared that the results for which eugenists hoped might not be noticeable for several hundred years. He emphasized the impossibility of attempting to regulate human mating by legislation, and deplored the popular misconception which credited eugenics with the design to abolish romance and introduce cattle-breeding principles into the domestic affairs of human families. Eugenics did not favour the abolition of love. "If young people were always allowed to follow their natural inclinations their mating usually would be wise from the standpoint of eugenics, but many marriages made for wealth or social position do not tend to better the human race."

Attention was called to the studies of 200 investigators in a eugenics laboratory at Cold Springs Harbor, Long Island, managed in connection with the Carnegie Institution, Washington. In constantly increasing numbers it was reported that persons contemplating marriage were consulting these investigators, submitting extensive accounts of their family characteristics, and studying the advice dispensed by the investigators regarding the transmission of special characteristics.

ORIGINS OF THE SCOT.

HIS PALÆOLITHIC ANCESTORS.

The Sections of Anthropology and Geography of the British Association joined in a discussion at Edinburgh, recently, on the origin of the Scottish people.

The opener was Professor Sir Arthur Keith, who submitted that the inhabitants of the Highlands and western parts of Scotland and the inhabitants of the inland parts of Scandinavia were branches of the same Nordic racial stock. Scandinavian geologists estimated the beginning of the emergence of Scandinavia and of Scotland from ice at a period of about 11,000 B.C. The North Sea was then an estuary, or bay, open to the north, with a western shore leading up to Scotland, and an eastern leading to Scandinavia. On the Danish, as also on the Scottish coasts, were found the earliest inhabitants in the north-western outskirts of Europe in Post-Glacial times. The culture of this people was to be traced to countries in the south-west of Europe, and although their remains had not been found, it might safely be inferred that they arose from the long and big-headed type of man found in South England and on the Continent at the close of the Ice Age.

It was thus maintained that Scot and Scandinavian were descendants of the late palæolithic men of South-west Europe. The accepted opinion that the late palæolithic races of South Europe had dark hair, eyes, and complexions was probably well founded. Fair hair, light eyes, and clear complexions, which find their fullest expression in the inhabitants of Baltic lands, were best regarded as characters recently evolved. The darker hair and eyes of the modern Scot might not be due to a later Mediterranean admixture, but to his retaining to a greater degree the complexion of his palæolithic ancestor.

Sir Arthur Keith proceeded to trace the appearance in Scotland in the second millennium B.C. of a peculiar and round-headed people, and added that after this period there was no great invasion until the arrival of the Romans. In the fifth century, when the Romans had gone, both eastern and western doorways became open again. The Dalriad Scots from the North of Ireland then entered the country, but brought no new physical type as they were every right to presume that Ireland was originally peopled by the same race as settled in Scotland.

In conclusion, he said that the Picts, Celts, and Saxons of Scotland were all of one breed, the descendants of the pioneer race which settled North-west Europe when the last ice sheet lifted. There had been only one intrusive element, the round-headed of late neolithic introduction.

Professor Thomas H. Bryce said that Scotland was inhabited as far back as Aulian times. He too contended that there was a strong presumption that the primitive basis of the population was Nordic in character.

Dr. J. T. Tocher said that during the war he had measured about 6,000 Scotsmen, who were joining the Army, and he found that the average height was 5ft. 7in., but that there was a very wide variation ranging from 4ft. 7in. to 6ft. 7in. He had also discovered in making other examinations that there was a broad head among the population in the North-East of Scotland and a long head in the South-West. The popular conception that only Aberdonians had big heads was wholly wrong, but it was a fact that many red-haired people belonged to that part of the country. There was no clear proof that the people of the early period were smaller, than those of the present day, and he expressed the view that to obtain a clear indication of the origin of the Scottish people they would require to rely more on the historian, the geographer, and the psychologist than on the anthropologist.

LIVING UNDER WATER.

A BREATHING SECRET.

[FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT TO "THE OBSERVER."]

An extraordinary claim is made by a French swimmer, M. de Lalyman, that he can live under water. It is claimed that he has actually demonstrated his ability to remain submerged without any artificial means of respiration. I send these particulars under all reserve, for I have had no opportunity of witnessing the feat. But an account is given in the "Revue Hebdomadaire," which is extremely serious and perfectly reliable organ.

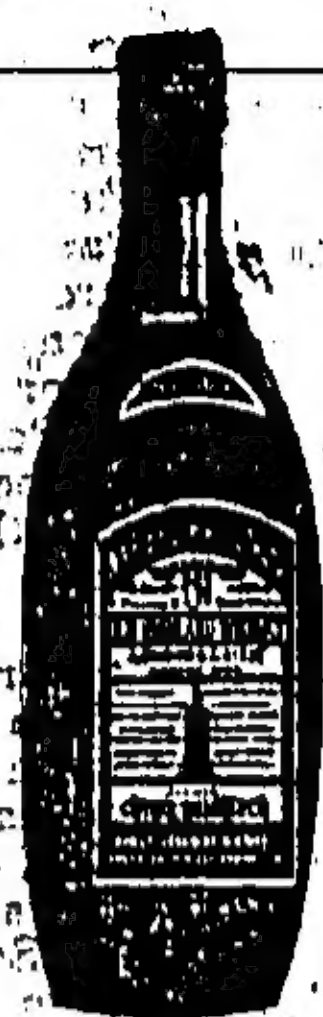
Not only is this claim to stay under water without breathing remarkable in itself, but there has to be added the claim to sink and rise in the water, execute normally all movements that could be executed on dry land, and to move above without swimming, without the aid of balloons.

M. de Lalyman descended, it is said, by a ladder into a large tank of water and performed his toilette—shaved himself and brushed himself—peeled a potato, ate it, drank wine, laid down at full length at the bottom of the tank, juggled with billiard balls, sat at a desk, and wrote his letters—though we are not told in what conditions these letters were when he emerged.

One of the most curious experiments was that in which he kept his body and his limbs stiff, his elbows pressed against his sides, and without apparent motion sank or rose in the water at the word of command given by the spectators.

He declares that the essential principles may be applied by anyone. He rises and falls because he can at will change the density of his body. The air dilated in the lungs can be driven into the stomach, where it is compressed. Such, at least, is his explanation. His daily practice is to make the respiratory movements which are classic in physical culture with his head in a basin of water. After succeeding in resting a long time without breathing, it is necessary without releasing the air in the body to send it from the lungs to the mouth, and from the mouth to the lungs, in utilising the glottis as a check valve. Then those who would emulate M. de Lalyman must learn how to inhale the air into the stomach like a smoker who swallows the smoke of his cigarette.

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THE NEW WOMAN.
BEWILDERED CENSORS.

[By BEATRICE HARRISON, Author of "Ships that Pass in the Night," "The Scholar's Daughter," etc.]

It is not to be wondered at that judges in the courts, preachers in the pulpits, and other professional censors are bewildered by the New Woman. You have to work with her, in a group, play with her, laugh with her, and above all, rely on her, to know even a little of her real worth. She is a baffling personage, whether as frivolous flapper, student, Society miss, or hardworking breadwinner; for, whatever her walk in life and whatever her genius, her talents, her capabilities, her ambitions, her attainments, she shares with all her young sisters the same modern characteristics, modified or accentuated by her circumstances and her natural disposition. She is entirely unreachably by the thunderbolts of blame now being hurled at her. One can hear her saying, good-humouredly:

"Another boring old bean finding fault with us. Cheerio!"

She strides, dances, on her new trail towards her new goal with a gay unconcern towards public opinion, and with a settled air of self-importance, both mental and physical, which put the finishing touches to the indignation and dismay of her critics. She is, indeed, tremendously important to herself, and feels herself firmly planted in the centre of the universe. She delights in her independence and is prepared to jump any gates which stand in the way of her progress. She is out for the thrill of life and adventure, and means to have it; and she does not deign to pause a moment to explain or excuse or justify her actions.

Many someone who knows and loves the New Woman offer on her behalf a few words of interpretation.

To begin with, then, it must never be forgotten that she has come into her own in difficult and complex days, when the great world upheaval has disturbed the old order, and the relativities and values are changed for us all. She has at a very early and at an impressionable age been called on to take an active part in the drama of life. When the boys came home on leave, and everything that could be thought of was done to help them to forget for a while the grim ordeal to which they had to return, the habit of pleasure was begun almost as a duty. When the boys went back again, her duty was to suppress the poignancy of grief, and, with a smile and a light-hearted joyance, speed to danger and perhaps to death, her brothers and comrades she had loved or played with, flirted with, enjoyed herself with in vacuous, careless gaiety. Tears and sentiment were forbidden luxuries. It was required of her to carry on, with head erect and emotions well under control. In her own immediate circle the boys fell one by one. She remained; and Nature, merciful in some ways, helped her to steel her heart and pass on. Her critics may call her frivolous, or hard, cold, callous, undemonstrative, unaffectionate, if they will; but the reason is not far to seek, and at least all must call her brave.

RESTLESS IN A RESTLESS AGE.

She is not a sneak, nor cattish, nor given much to gossip. As she has an active life of her own, full of happenings and possibilities of happenings, she has not any need to focus on other people's doings nor any desire to tear their characters to pieces, though it is true, of course, that scandal has lost its former flavour, and things which used to be hair-lifting, scalp-raising, are now regarded more or less as the amenities of everyday life. Still, for all that, the New Woman lives and lets live. And she is developing a chivalry and kindness towards her own sex which is the outcome, though she does not know it, of the woman movement of the last three generations. Her confidence in herself is another outcome, also her remarkable "upspringingness" which she has assimilated from the influences at work on her behalf, and which she has had in stored readiness for the use of her country when it called on her to take her part in the hour of need.

Her quick and active mind lacks steadiness. She is restless in a restless age, when even the quietest amongst us find concentration difficult. She is fearless and impatient. She is truthful because she is independent in spirit, and "wears her fingers at what people say or think of her." She is frank and honest, and does not pose at being what she is not. She will work hard if she wants to do so or is obliged, but she will play hard, too, if she gets the chance. She absolutely refuses to be dull or bored, and intends to see to it that she does not lead a drab life.

She is without reverence, except for courage. Sentiment rises in her no instinct of respect. She is on her guard against the faintest sign of patronage or condescension. Personages and their positions and attainments do not make much impression on her, for she is singularly lacking in true appreciation of what others are and do. In this phase of her evolution she is chiefly concerned with herself. She is not demonstrative, for she would consider it "soft" to show signs of affection—a sort of phibiotic flabbiness which had kinship with sofas and smelling and fainting fits.

Her attitude towards her parents is that she did not ask to be put into this world and that she does not consider she should be sacrificed and held in bondage for their sakes. But it more than probable that she would never fail them in big things, for she has transmuted the traditional sentimental submissiveness of which she is now incapable into a dogged protectiveness to be drawn on when needed. She would, in other words, come up to the scratch and rescue parents and brothers and sisters, and even faded aunts, from the burning bush. What she is not going to stand in to have her youth frittered away by useless, futile, silly exactions and surrenders.

Does this sound selfish? Is she selfish? Probably so; but women have put in long years of overtime in unselfishness which has done no one any good, but, on the contrary, has positively injured the characters of those to whom they have been sacrificed, whilst embittering permanently their own spirituality. It is time they took another departure. For the moment they are trying common-sense, which works out a little brutally, perhaps, since it is certain that the world cannot thrive on mere common-sense. But the New Woman may be trusted to tone its harshness into softer notes, and she will find her way all the quicker into new harmonies if she has the orchestra playing with her and not against her.

MANNERS AND MORALS.

She is curt to rudeness in her manners and exasperatingly abrupt. Someone cleverly said of her that she has ceased to be a lady, and has not yet learnt to be a gentleman! Yet in the rough-and-tumble of motor-bus life it is the young New Woman that shows the true chivalry. The men may make way for the rich and young and beautiful, but it is the girl herself, bare of arm and neck and shoulder, painted and powdered and of super-red lips, who with alacrity gives up her place to the mother with the baby in her arms and the old and frail of her sex, smart and shabby alike, and with a cherry "Right!" or "It's all right," clings on to the strap as if she were dancing the tango! To be kind and courteous in a motor-omnibus in these hectic days must be owned by all to be a convincing outward and visible sign of inner grace.

Is she immodest? One might think she was at first, until one came to know that her paint and powder, the scantiness of her attire, and all the things about her appearance with which we older people find fault, and with which she shocks our sense of fitness and physical reticence, are with her just so many rubbishy irrelevances, passing foolishnesses, which "no more reflect her real character than a man's stiff collar gives the cue to the depth of his feelings or the breadth of his vision. If you talk to her about this display of her person, you see how little it means to her, and how, in nine cases out of ten, she is ethically unaffected by the fashion of the moment, and is only enjoying what she considers comfort, whilst innocent of coarse intent.

Is she immoral? Is she as ready as many people think to throw all conventions to the winds and give the rein unreservedly to her passions? No, certainly not, but there is no doubt that her attitude towards men has changed more than anything else. After years of suppression, during which she was required only to have the right kind of sobor emotion for the right kind of male who fitted in with the views and circumstances of her parents and all the traditions of past ages, the New Woman now makes a very determined dash in the direction in which she feels impelled, and one might well think she was making straight for disaster.

There are, without doubt, many instances in which the old restraints and rules of conduct are entirely discarded either thoughtlessly by the frivolous or deliberately by the fast. But taking the average New Woman all round, she knows what she is about, and she values herself far too much to degrade herself, and she can protect herself, if she chooses, even from her own passions. She does choose, in the majority of cases; for the instincts of a woman are, after all, for purity of life. The older men may misunderstand her because they do not speak for language, and the older women may be frightened for her because they feel that they themselves in similar circumstances and temptations would never have had the self-control which saves her from the precipice. But the young men with whom she laughs and dances, and smokes and plays, and works in an equal companionship know her, and know where they are with her; and if they prove to be what she would call "poisonous skunks," she relegates them speedily enough to the waste-paper basket where they belong. If she had not this half-unconscious yet wholly active guiding principle at the back of her, many perplexing vagaries, the intimate comradeship between the boys and girls of to-day would be a menace to society instead of what it is—a healthy, breezy influence which breaks down the old, silly artificial barriers, and opens the way to the far-stretching and ever-widening horizon.

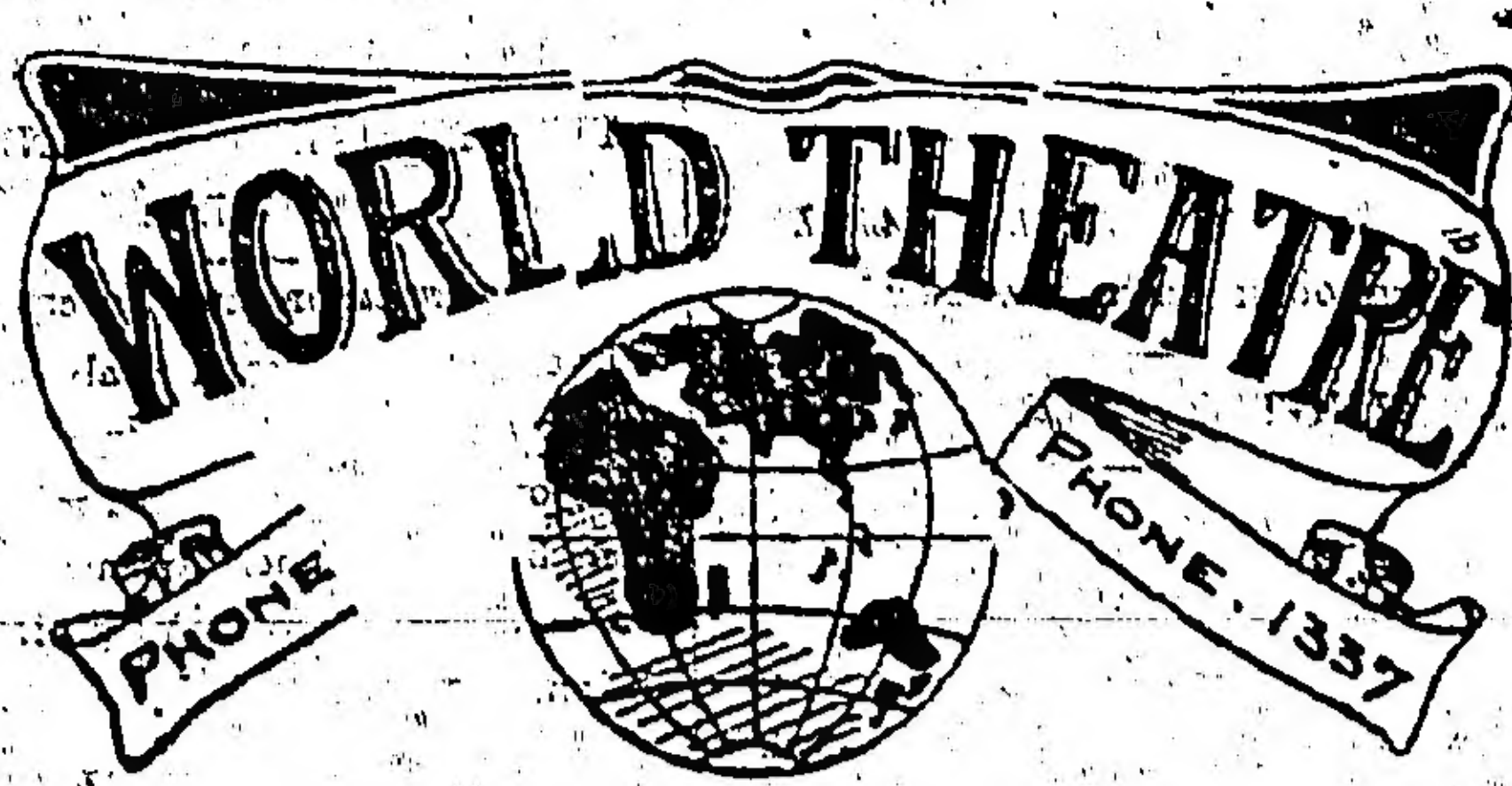
In some respects the New Woman has probably not really changed at all; and in others is merely displaying qualities, and capabilities, and tendencies which have been in abeyance simply because she has hitherto had no chance of showing or using them. But the results, at least, are a new type, which we believe will undergo changes, modulating into a fine and noble idealism as she learns to use wisely the splendid opportunities, of which she is as yet scarcely conscious, placed in her hands for the benefit of the world.

So we look to her with hope and pride and an immense trust. She is not altogether the child we visualised when we were working for her emancipation. The war has swept her on far ahead and put between her and us not the space of one generation but of several generations. But when breathless we arrive at her side—as we can and must—we know her to be glorious young creature for whom we have not toiled and fought and conquered in vain.—Daily Telegraph.

FREAK CHILD.

A remarkable freak of nature was disclosed at an inquest on a Shoreditch baby in September.

A doctor said that the child had five fingers and two thumbs on each hand, and on the right foot there were five toes and three extra big toes. The extra toes were joined together. There were four toes and three big toes on the left foot, making fourteen fingers and fifteen toes. It was the eleventh child of its mother.



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Katana, British str., 2,927 tons, Capt. A. McLeod, from Hamburg and Singapore, with a general cargo.—Bank Line.

Peking Maru, Japanese str., 1,898 tons, Capt. R. Nagayama, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo.—N.Y.K.

Samsun, British str., 1,776 tons, Capt. A. Fraser, from Saigon with rice and general cargo.—Wo Fat Shing.

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Deiwa Maru, British str., 3,527 tons, Capt. H. W. Bee, from London and Singapore, with a general cargo.—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.

Empress of Asia, British str., 3,853 tons, Capt. L. D. Douglas, from Vancouver, with a general cargo.—C.P. S.S. Co.

Hirata Maru, Japanese str., 1,484 tons, Capt. T. Imamoto, from Sourabaya, with sugar.—Y.K.K.

Hokkaido Maru, Chinese str., 556 tons, Capt. Leung Long, from K. C. Wan, with a general cargo.—Wo Hing.

Kohun Maru, Japanese str., 3,021 tons, Capt. J. Ikeda, from Bombay and Singapore, with a general cargo.—Nemano.

Malay Maru, Japanese str., 4,556 tons, Capt. K. Saito, from Moji, with a general cargo.—O.S.K.

Samsun, British str., 1,750 tons, Capt. C. H. Walker, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Wakusa Maru, Japanese str., 3,504 tons, Capt. B. Tsuda, from Moji, with a general cargo.—N.Y.K.

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November 3rd.
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Liangchow, for Swatow.
Malay Maru, for Singapore.
Matoua, for Hongay.
Peking Maru, for Canton.
Samsun, for Canton.
Titan, for Singapore.
Wangtung, for Swatow.

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Arridon Apar (B.L.), due November 8th.
Atsuta Maru (N.Y.K.), due Nov. 10th.
Bowes Castle (Doddwell-Castle Line), due end of November.
Eastern (E. & A.), due November 21st.
Empress of Japan, due November 14th.
Fushimi Maru (N.Y.K.), due November 5th.
Izumi (Blue Funnel line), due Nov. 4th.
Kleis (N.Y.K.), due November 29th.
Lahore (P. & O.), due November 7th.
Reliance (P. & O.), due November 22nd.
Prism (Blue Funnel line), due Nov. 4th.
Siberia Maru (N.Y.K.), due Nov. 5th.
Small (P. & O.), due November 7th.
Tamba Maru (N.Y.K.), due November 7th.
Tango Maru (N.Y.K.), due November 17th.
Tsuyama Maru (N.Y.K.), due November 16th.
Wray Castle (Doddwell-Castle Line), due November 8th.
Yokohama Maru (N.Y.K.), due November 19th.

SHIPPING NOTES.

A U.S. Navy radio message from Washington, dated October 28th says:—The Shipping Board to-day announced the tentative assignment of ten Government combination passenger and freight vessels in Pacific waters. Five from the North Pacific are to be apporportioned to China, Japan and the Philippines, and three others on the same run from San Francisco and California ports.

A Netherlands India message says: The Directors of the Royal Packet Company have decided to remove all wireless ship installations from K.P.M. steamers, except those running on the Batavia-Australia service, and the Hongkong-Singapore service. It has also been decided to remove all fans from ships, except the Batavia-Singapore-Batavia service. These measures have been taken for the purpose of economizing. The removal of the fans means a saving of one million guilders annually.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per R.M.S. *Empress of Asia*, on November 3rd:—Miss E. Angus, Mr. G. S. Aveyard, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Alberto, Miss J. Alberto, Mrs. R. S. Alberto, Miss M. Baldwin, Mr. P. E. Barker, Dr. Mrs. and Master N. Bradley, Mrs. F. S. Brockman, Mrs. J. Black, Rev. P. C. Baird, Dr. and Mrs. K. L. Butterfield, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Buck, Mr. F. D. Blakeslee, Mr. C. Benitez, Mr. H. M. Benson, Miss E. G. Copeland, Mr. Mrs. and the Messrs. Crocker, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Clark, Mrs. L. Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. D'Aquino, Mrs. L. Dupuy, Miss Donovan, Mr. E. A. Forbes, Sister B. Frolich, Sister I. Foley, Mr. J.

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SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. s.s. *Khyber*, arrived London on October 31st.
 The B.L. s.s. *Tamha*, left Calcutta on November 2nd, and is expected to arrive at Hongkong about 17th inst.
 The T.K.K. s.s. *Taiyo Maru* arrived at Shanghai on the 2nd instant, and sailed 3rd instant for Nagasaki.
 The T.K.K. s.s. *Tenyo Maru* arrived at Yokohama on the 3rd instant and sailed 4th instant via Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Manila, being due at Hongkong November 18th.
 The N.Y.K. s.s. *Hishima Maru* (European line) left London for Hongkong via Suez on November 1st, and is expected here on November 18th.

WEATHER REPORT.

November 3rd, at 12.35.—Pressure has decreased considerably at Vladivostok. Changes at other reporting stations are small.
 There appears to be a depression over the Sea of Japan.
 Fresh monsoon will continue along the S.E. coast of China, and over the N. China Sea.
 Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 96.80 inches, against an average of 80.61 inches.
 The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—
 Forecast.
 Hongkong to Gap Rock (N.E. winds, fresh) fine.
 Formosa Channel (N.E. winds, strong).
 South coast of China between (The same as Hongkong and Lamock) No. 1.
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"BOMALI"	6,700	10th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DIPNER"	5,200	20th Dec.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"NELLOR"	7,000	24th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DONGOLA"	8,000	7th Jan. 1922	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"EGYPT"	7,941	18th Jan.	B'way, Marseilles, L'don, & Antp.
"KASHMIR"	8,241	21st Jan.	
"NAGOYA"	8,854	18th Feb.	
"KASHGAR"	8,840	4th Mar.	
"KHIVA"	8,017	18th Mar.	
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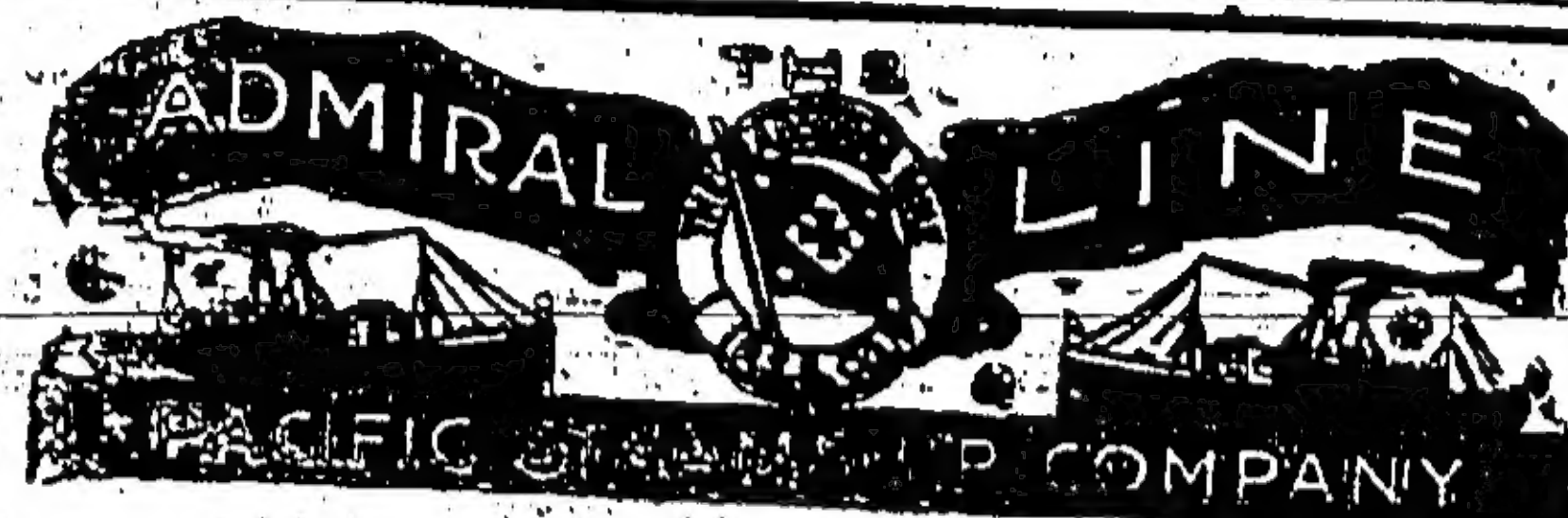
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SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"SUNNING"	On 5th Nov.	Noon	
CHONGKING & NEWCHOW	"CHENAN"	On 5th Nov.	4 p.m.	
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"HANYANG"	On 5th Nov.	4 p.m.	
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"LINAN"	On 5th Nov.	10 a.m.	
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"SECHUKY"	On 5th Nov.	Noon	
SHANGHAI	"KWEIYANG"	On 8th Nov.	10 a.m.	
SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 9th Nov.	Noon	
SHANGHAI	"KAIKONG"	On 10th Nov.	Noon	
HONGKONG	"TAIKOOWANY"	On 15th Nov.	10 a.m.	
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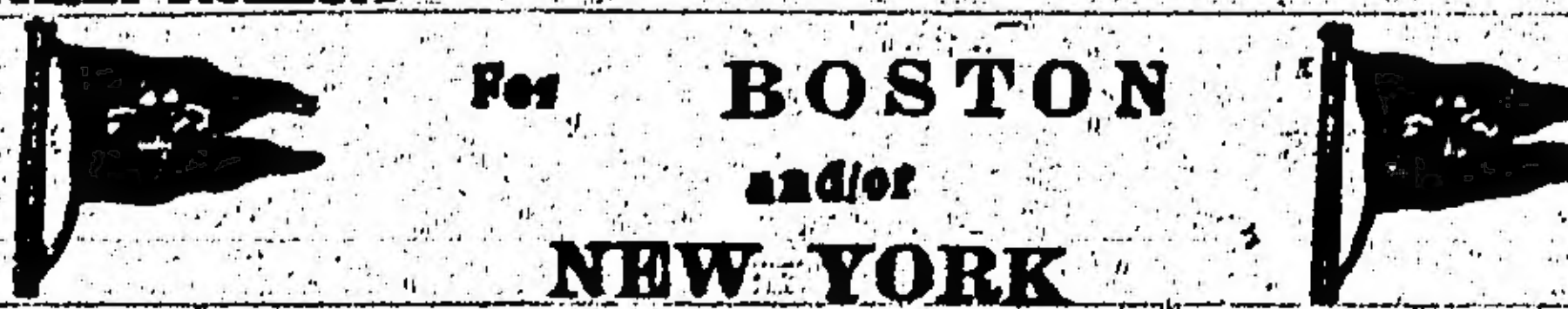
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